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Applicants:

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Assignee:

Cisco Technology, Inc.

Title:

METHOD AND APPARATUS SUPPORTING NETWORK

COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH A FIREWALL

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a one-month extension of time within which to respond to the December 12, 2005 outstanding Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until April 12, 2006 to respond.

Please charge the amount of \$120.00 as set forth in the enclosed transmittal letter.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on April 7, 2006.

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